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Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated January 12, 2006, having a shortened three (3) month statutory period for response which expired April 12, 2006, we have attached a Petition for Extension of Time under 37 CFR §1.136. We request that you please accept the following remarks as to the above-identified patent application:

Claims are reflected in the listing of the claims which begins on page 2 of this submission.

Remarks begin on page 4 of this submission.